

will be explained in more detail later.

Replacement paragraph, page 6, beginning at line 15.

The pocket 10 comprises three main components which are directly attached to ~~each other and~~ the garment 12 so as to substantially reduce the profile of the pocket 10 relative to the outer surface of the garment 12, effectively streamlining the pocket 10 to maintain the original aesthetics of the garment 12. The three components each are attached directly to the garment, with each having relatively thick border portions to enhance the durability of the attachment. Each of the ~~border portions~~ components are laterally spaced by a predetermined position to avoid bunching and to enhance the overall appearance of the pocket 10.

Replacement paragraph, page 7, beginning at line 2.

The first component of the pocket 10 is a hook and loop type fastener component (i.e., ~~Velcro®~~ VELCRO®) fashioned as a series of four strips 18 which cooperates with the flap 15 to create a water ~~tight~~ resistant boundary closure for the enclosure 13, the flap and the enclosure 13 forming the second and third components, respectively, of the pocket 10. The ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18 ~~is~~ are continuous about three sides of the enclosure 13 with the exception of a notch or spacing 20 which allows for placement of pull tab 22 on flap 15 therein, the pull tab 22 serving to allow for disengaging of the flap 15 from the ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18. In order to reduce the thickness of the accessory pocket attachment 10, the ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18 ~~is~~ are double stitched directly onto the garment 12 with stitching 23, the ~~Velcro® strips~~ in spaced relation about the periphery 26 of enclosure 13, as opposed to being stitched directly onto edge portions of the enclosure 13. Preferably, the ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18, ~~is~~ attached to the garment first to ensure proper spacing between the enclosure 13 and the ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18, and to allow for visualizing the aesthetic impact of a selected pocket location. Specifically, once ~~Velcro® strips~~ 18 ~~is~~ are attached to the garment 10, the enclosure 13, which is also double stitched directly onto the garment 12 via stitching 25, may be centered to enhance the uniformity of the pocket 10. Preferably the spacing between the edge of enclosure 13 and the inner edge of the Velcro strips 18 is at least half the distance of the width of the ~~Velcro® strips~~.

Replacement paragraph, page 9, beginning at line 16.

In use, once the pocket 10 has been attached as indicated, the wearer of the garment 12 may selectively open flap 15 by pulling tab 22 to reveal the contents of the enclosure 13. The enclosure 13 is preferably sized to accommodate an identification card such as a ski pass, as well as some other relatively small items such as a spare key or credit card. If used to contain a ski pass for example, the user may quickly display the pass without having to fumble through pockets or remove heavy ski gloves. Alternatively, the enclosure 13 may be sized to accommodate larger items by using more material or by other means as may be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art. If sold to a “name brand” manufacturer ~~such as Nautica®~~, the pocket 10 may be provided with a logo or trademark of the manufacturer to allow for seamless integration of the garment and providing an additional display location for the manufacturer’s trademark or logo.

Replacement paragraph, page 8, beginning at line 15.

After the enclosure 13 has been formed and attached, flap 15 is attached directly to the garment 12 by stitching. The flap 15 is prepared for attachment to the garment 12 by first attaching hook and loop type ~~Velcro®~~ strips 34 at the border area of the interior facing surface 36 of the flap 15. It can be appreciated that the interior facing surface 36 is not visible when the flap 15 is folded to cover enclosure 13. Spaces 38 are left along the ~~Velcro®~~ stripping 34 to reduce the amount of force required to “open” the flap. Tab 22 is sewn at the top edge of the flap 15, the tab 22 allowing the user to pull down the flap 15 to expose the contents of the enclosure 13. An additional enclosure in the form of an inner pocket formed in the inner facing surface 36 of the flap 15 may also be provided. A logo, monogram, or other identifying indicia may be affixed to the exterior facing side 42 of the flap 15, the logo optionally matching the logo associated with the target garment 12 to allow an authorized manufacturer to give the appearance that the accessory pocket 10 was part of garment 12 as originally sold. In accordance with one aspect of the invention, the accessory pocket 10 is sold to manufacturers of various well known outer garments for sale either as an accessory or pre attached to the respective garments. The ~~Velcro®~~ strips 18, 34, in combination with the sealing adhesives used for the enclosure 13 cooperate to